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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan
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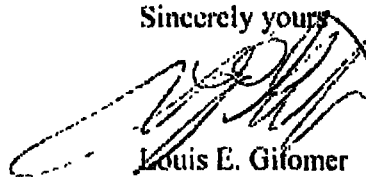
RE: Docket No. AB-565 (Sub-No. 17X), *New York Central Lines, LLC—
Abandonment Exemption—in Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, NY*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT"), as successor to New York Central Lines, LLC, agrees to negotiate interim trail use/rail banking with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation ("NYSP") for a 0.5-mile portion of the line between milepost QCK-29.5 and milepost QCK-30.0 (the "0.5-Mile Line"). CSXT has not consummated the abandonment of the 0.5-Mile Line. CSXT also consents to the assignment to NYSP of the Purchase and Sale Agreement, as amended, between CSXT and the Poughkeepsie-Highland Bridge Co., Inc., dba Walkway Over the Hudson so that NYSP can acquire the 0.5-Mile Line as a trail. CSXT supports the NYSP request for expedited handling of the NITU request so that closing on the 0.5-Mile Line can occur by October 2, 2009 and the trail can open on October 3, 2009.

CSXT is e-filing this letter. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours



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